- words "practitioners of medicine" and substituting in lieu thereof the words "physicians and surgeons". 5
- SEC. 2. In addition to the grounds for revocation of license set forth in section twenty-four hundred ninety-two (2492), of the code,
- 1931, any licensed optometrist who shall practice or advertise as prac-
- ticing his profession, under a false or assumed name or shall by such
- advertisement mislead the public to believe that he is practicing for or on behalf of an unlicensed person, shall have his license revoked.

Senate File No. 192. Approved March 29, 1933.

CHAPTER 46

APPROPRIATIONS OF PUBLIC FUNDS

S. F. 91

AN ACT to repeal sections twenty-five hundred twenty-three-c two (2523-c2) and twentynine hundred twenty-three-d one (2923-d1), code, 1931, relating to appropriations of public funds.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. Sections twenty-five hundred twenty-three-c two
- (2523-c2) and twenty-nine hundred twenty-three-d one (2923-d1), 2
- code, 1931, are hereby repealed.

Senate File No. 91. Approved March 18, 1933.

CHAPTER 47

REGULATION OF MEMBERSHIP-SALES AND SERVICE PLANS

H. F. 475

AN ACT to provide for the regulation, supervision and licensing of persons, firms, corporations or associations, which sell, or offer for sale, memberships or certificates of membership entitling the holders thereof to purchase, either from the issuer or someone designated by the issuer, merchandise, materials, equipment or services on a fixed basis.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. The administration of the provisions of this act shall be vested in the secretary of state of the state of Iowa, to be adminis-3 tered in the same manner as is provided for in chapter 393-C1, code
- 4 of Iowa, 1931.
- SEC. 2. The term "association" when used in this act shall mean any person, firm, company, partnership, association or corporation other than building and loan associations, insurance com-1
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- 4 panies and associations, and corporations and cooperative associations
- subject to the provisions of chapters 389, 390 and 392, code of Iowa,
- 1931, which sell, offer for sale, and/or issue to the public generally
- 7 memberships or certificates of membership entitling the holder there-8 of to purchase merchandise, materials, equipment and/or services on
- a discount or cost-plus basis. The term "issue" when used in this

act shall mean issue, sell, place, engage in or otherwise dispose of or handle.

The term "membership" when used in this act shall mean certificates, memberships, shares, bonds, contracts, stocks or agreements of any kind or character issued upon any plan offered generally to the public entitling the holder thereof to purchase merchandise, materials, equipment and/or service, either from the issuer or someone designated by the issuer, either under a franchise or otherwise, whether it be at a discount, cost plus a percentage, cost plus a fixed amount, at a fixed price, or on any other basis.

This act shall not apply to any corporation or association organized upon the assessment plan, for the purpose of insuring the lives of individuals or furnishing benefits to the widows, heirs, orphans or legatees of deceased members, or insuring the health of persons, or furnishing accident indemnity, nor to any benevolent associations or societies.

SEC. 3. No association contemplated by this act shall issue any membership until it shall have procured from the secretary of state a certificate of authority authorizing it to engage in such business.

To secure such certificate of authority it shall be necessary for such association to file with the secretary of state an application under oath, showing the name and location of such association, the name and postoffice address of its officers, the date of organization, and if incorporated, a certified copy of its articles of incorporation, a copy of its by-laws or rules by which it is to be governed, the form of its certificates or contracts, all printed matter issued by it, together with a detailed statement of its financial condition and such other information concerning its affairs or plan of business as the secretary of state may require.

- SEC. 4. Upon the filing of the application referred to in the preceding section, if the secretary of state is satisfied that the business is not in violation of law, or against public policy, and is safe, reliable and entitled to public confidence, and that the certificate or contract is in proper form, he may issue a certificate of authority authorizing it to transact business within this state for the period of one year from the date of the issuance thereof.
- Before any association shall be authorized to transact the SEC. 5. business contemplated by this act, it shall file and deposit with the secretary of state a bond in the penal sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00), running to the state of Iowa, for the use and benefit of any purchaser of a membership or contract, conditioned upon the faithful performance of all contracts entered into by such association, to be performed by it or someone designated by it, for whose benefit the same may be made, and providing for the refunding of the amount of the membership fee in the event of the failure of the association, or someone designated by it, to perform its contract or contracts in accordance with the terms and conditions thereof, and the payment of any and all damages sustained as a result of any breach of the conditions of said bond. Said bond shall be in such form, consistent with the provisions hereof, as the secretary of state

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may prescribe, and shall be executed with surety by a surety company 16 authorized to do business in this state. In suits against the surety 17 company upon such bond it shall not be necessary to join the issuer 18 as a party.

SEC. 6. In addition to the filing of the bond as hereinbefore provided, every such association shall on the 10th day of each month deposit with the secretary of state, securities of the kind provided for in section eighty-seven hundred thirty-seven (8737), code of Iowa, 1931, in an amount equal to 50% of the amount of the sale price of the memberships sold by said association during the previous month, and said association shall keep such deposit at all times equal to 50% of the sale price of all outstanding and unredeemed memberships.

For the purpose of determining the amount of such deposit liability, every such association shall file with its deposit on the 10th of each month, a sworn statement showing the names and addresses of all persons to whom memberships were sold during the previous month, together with the selling price, the amount received from each per-

son, and the amount, if any, due from each person.
Said sworn statement shall also show the names and addresses of all persons whose memberships were redeemed and cancelled during the previous month, and by whom.

The deposit herein provided for shall be for the protection of all purchasers or holders of memberships in the association making said deposit.

The license period for each such association shall be one year, and renewable annually thereafter on the same terms and conditions as provided for in the original qualification.

Such association shall pay to the secretary of state for its certificate of authority to transact business in accordance with this act, a fee of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) and an annual renewal fee of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) to be paid on or before the date of the expiration of the license period both of which fees shall be by the secretary of state turned into the state treasury as are other fees of his office.

SEC. 8. During the month of January of each year, or at such other time as the secretary of state may require, every association transacting the business contemplated herein shall file with the secretary of state in such form as he prescribes, a statement showing its financial condition on the 31st day of December preceding.

Every such association shall be subject to examination by the secretary of state or his representatives, the expense of which shall be paid by the association in the same manner and on the same basis and under the same terms and conditions as is now provided for in section eighty-five hundred eighty-one-c twelve (8581-c12), code of Iowa, 1931. In making such examination the secretary of state or his representatives, shall have full access to and may demand the production of all books, securities, papers, contracts, moneys, etc., of said association, and may administer oaths, summon and compel the attendance of witnesses and the giving of testimony thereby.

.10 If upon such examination, or at any other time after reasonable notice and a hearing, it shall appear that such association does not conduct its business in accordance with law, or is insolvent, or is doing an unsafe and unsound business, or is conducting its business contrary to public policy, or that the further continuance of its business is hazardous and against the public interest, or if such association upon request refuses to be examined, or fails to make the deposit and reports as herein required, he shall revoke its certificate of authority, and having revoked the certificate of authority of such association he shall report this fact to the attorney general, who shall at once apply to the district court or a judge thereof, for the appointment of a receiver to close up the affairs of such association, and an injunction may issue in the same proceeding enjoining and restraining the association from transacting business in this state.

- SEC. 9. The salesmen or agents of every association qualified under this act, shall be licensed or registered in the same manner and under the same terms and conditions as is provided for in section eighty-five hundred eighty-one-c eleven (8581-c11), code of Iowa, 1931, and the license or registration of such salesmen or agents shall be subject to suspension and revocation in the same manner and under the same terms and conditions as is provided for in section eighty-five hundred eighty-one-c thirteen (8581-c13), code of Iowa, 1931.
- SEC. 10. Any member, salesman, agent or representative of any association, who shall attempt to issue any membership as contemplated by this act, or to transact any business whatsoever, in the name of or on behalf of such association not authorized to do business in this state, or which has failed or refused to comply with the provisions of this act, or has violated any of its provisions, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof shall be punished by imprisonment in the penitentiary not to exceed five (5) years, or fined not less than one thousand dollars (\$1000) nor more than five thousand dollars (\$5000), or by both such fine and imprisonment.
- SEC. 11. Every association as defined herein shall, before receiving a certificate of authority to do business in this state, or any renewal thereof, file in the office of the secretary of state an agreement in writing that thereafter service of notice or process of any kind may be made on the secretary of state, and when so made shall be as valid, binding and effective for all purposes as if served upon the association according to the laws of this or any other state, and waiving all claim or right of error by reason of such acknowledgment of service.

The service of such notice or process on any association shall be in the same manner as is provided for in section eighty-seven hundred sixty-seven (8767), code of Iowa, 1931.

SEC. 12. Should the court declare any section or clause of this act unconstitutional, then such decision shall affect only the section or clause so declared to be unconstitutional, and shall not affect any other section or clause of this act.

- SEC. 13. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall be
- 2 in full force and effect from and after its publication in the Toledo
- Chronicle, a newspaper published in Toledo, Iowa, and the Cedar
- Rapids Tribune, a newspaper published in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

House File No. 475. Approved April 20, 1933.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Toledo Chronicle April 27, 1933, and the Cedar Rapids Tribune April 28, 1933. MRS. ALEX MILLER, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 48

HYBRID SEED CORN

H. F. 299

AN ACT to prohibit the fraudulent advertising or selling of seed corn represented to be hybrid unless it represents the first generation of a cross between strains of different parentage and involving inbred lines of corn or their combination and prescribing a penalty therefor.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, corporation or its agents or representatives to sell, offer or expose for sale, or falsely mark or tag, within the state of Iowa, any seed corn as hybrid unless it represents the first generation of a cross between strains of different parentage and involving inbred lines of corn and (or) their 5 6 combinations.
- The cross mentioned above shall be produced by cross fer-1 2 tilization, controlled, either by hand or by detasseling at the proper 3 time.
- SEC. 3. Every violation of the provisions of this act shall be deemed a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than one 1 2 3 hundred dollars (\$100) or imprisonment for thirty (30) days in the county jail or both. The department of agriculture through its duly authorized agent or agents may institute proceedings in a court of competent jurisdiction to enforce this act.

House File No. 299. Approved March 23, 1933.

CHAPTER 49

ITINERANT VENDORS OF DRUGS

S. F. 130

AN ACT to amend and revise sections thirty-one hundred forty-eight (3148) and thirtyone hundred forty-nine (3149) of chapter one hundred fifty-five (155) of the code, 1931, relating to itinerant vendors of drugs, and fixing the license fees therefor, and providing an exemption therefrom.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. That section thirty-one hundred forty-eight (3148) of the code, 1931, be amended and revised by striking from the second
- line thereof the following: ", by himself, agent, or employee".